

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION**

SHANNON PEREZ, HAROLD
DUTTON, JR. and GREGORY TAMEZ,

Plaintiffs

v.

STATE OF TEXAS; RICK PERRY, in his
official capacity as Governor of the State of
Texas; DAVID DEWHURST, in his official
capacity as Lieutenant Governor of the State
of Texas; JOE STRAUS, in his official
capacity as Speaker of the Texas House of
Representatives; HOPE ANDRADE, in her
official capacity as Secretary of the State of
State of Texas,

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO.
SA-11-CA-360-OLG-JES-XR
[Lead case]

MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGISLATIVE
CAUCUS, TEXAS HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES (MALC),

Plaintiffs

v.

STATE OF TEXAS; RICK PERRY, in his
official capacity as Governor of the State of
Texas; DAVID DEWHURST, in his official
capacity as Lieutenant Governor of the State
of Texas; JOE STRAUS, in his official
capacity as Speaker of the Texas House of
Representatives,

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO.
SA-11-CA-361-OLG-JES-XR
[Consolidated case]

TEXAS LATINO REDISTRICTING TASK)
 FORCE, JOEY CARDENAS, ALEX)
 JIMENEZ, EMELDA MENENDEZ,)
 TOMACITA OLIVARES, JOSE)
 OLIVARES, ALEJANDRO ORTIZ AND)
 REBECCA ORTIZ,)

Plaintiffs)

v.)

RICK PERRY, in his official capacity as)
 Governor of the State of Texas,)

Defendants)

CIVIL ACTION NO.
 SA-11-CA-490-OLG-JES-XR
 [Consolidated case]

JOINT ADVISORY

Plaintiffs Shannon Perez, *et al.*, Mexican American Legislative Counsel, *et al.*, and Texas Latino Redistricting Task Force, *et al.*, respectfully file this Joint Advisory to the Court pursuant to the Court's Order of Consolidation dated July 6, 2011 (Docket No. 19).

1. On July 8, 2011, all counsel representing plaintiffs in these consolidated cases conferred by telephone.

2. Plaintiffs agree that there should be two liaison counsel for all consolidated plaintiffs. Two liaison counsel will ensure more efficient communication with consolidated plaintiffs and a faster response from consolidated plaintiffs to requests from the Court and Defendants. Plaintiffs propose that Jose Garza, counsel for Plaintiffs the Mexican American Legislative Caucus, *et al.*, and Nina Perales, counsel for Plaintiffs Texas Latino Redistricting Task Force, *et al.*, will serve as the attorneys with whom the Court and other parties may communicate on all matters concerning plaintiffs.

3. Jose Garza shall be liaison counsel for Plaintiffs Shannon Perez and *et al.* and Mexican American Legislative Counsel, *et al.*, and Plaintiff-Intervenors LULAC and U.S.

Congressman Henry Cuellar. Nina Perales shall be liaison counsel for Plaintiffs Texas Latino Redistricting Task Force, *et al.*

4. The joint liason counsel have agreed that they will work together to inform each other and all the plaintiffs of any communication from the Court or Defendants and to provide a timely response on behalf of plaintiffs.

5. This advisory does not in any way interfere with the attorney client relationship between counsel and their clients, and does not authorize liaison counsel to make substantive legal or strategic decisions regarding plaintiffs who are not their clients. Joint liaison counsel will receive information from court or opposing counsel and convey that to remaining plaintiffs' counsel for their response.

DATED: July 14, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Conference

I hereby certify that, on July 13 and July 14, counsel for the Latino Redistricting Task Force Plaintiffs requested that the defendants in this matter indicate whether they oppose or do not oppose this advisory. The State Defendants indicated that they are not opposed provided that communications with one liason counsel will be deemed to be communication with both. Intervenor Defendants Texas Democratic Party and Boyd Ritchie do not opposed the advisory.

/s/ Marisa Bono
Marisa Bono

Certificate of Service

The undersigned counsel hereby certifies that she has electronically submitted for filing a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing in accordance with the Electronic Case Files System of the Western District of Texas on the 14th day of July, 2011.

/s/ Marisa Bono
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